

MINUTES
UTAH CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER BOARD
October 6, 2003 – 3:00 P.M.
Room 4B- Fourth Floor - Heber Wells Bldg.
160 East 300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah

CONVENED: 3:10

ADJOURNED: 4:00

PRESENT:

Clyde Ormond, Bureau Manager
Jacky Adams, Acting Board Secretary

Board Members:

Rockie Dustin Mary Bearnson
Rodney Felshaw

ABSENT:

Shelley Wadsworth

GUESTS:

Laura Condie

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Minutes:

The minutes of the July 22, 2003 board meeting were approved as revised.

NEW APPLICATIONS:

Laura Condie

Ms Condie met with the Board to request a Temporary Certified Shorthand Reporter license so she can work while waiting to take the National Court Reporter Association (NCRA) exam that she is scheduled to take in November, 2003. After reviewing her application, the Board requested Ms. Condie to submit a copy of her diploma showing graduation from the Court Reporting School in Massachusetts. The Board determined that Ms Condie meets all the requirements for licensure, except proof of graduation and passing the NCRA exam. A motion was made by Mr. Felshaw and seconded by Ms. Bearnson to grant her a Temporary license, contingent upon receipt of the requested diploma. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Senate Bill 67

Mr. Ormond brought the Board up to date on the progress of this bill. Ms. Bearnson asked what the Division's stance was on this issue Mr. Ormond stated it is neutral. Mr. Ormond feels the Courts will

probably question why they should regulate this profession. The Board agreed with Mr. Ormond's observation regarding the courts

H.R. 970 IH

This is a bill regarding providing competitive grants for training court reporters and real-time writers to meet requirements for closed captioning under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and for other purposes, is being proposed before the 108th Congress. Mr. Ormond inquired whether any of the Board had heard any information regarding this bill. At this time they had no heard any other information. Once the Division obtains more information regarding this issue, the Board may need to help write some new legislation and assess the financial impact this may make on the profession. Also, the Board may need to decide if there are any public safety issues they need to address.

Court Report Contract Issue

Mr. Ormond asked if there is any progress on this issue. Mr. Dustin stated an attorney, Lisa Wats-Baskin, has been retained by the Court Reporters Association. Ms. Wats-Baskin will be attending legislative review committees, working as a lobbyist, helping to write bills and laws, and helping clarify any definitions in regards to profession. Mr. Ormond suggested for the Board should review the surrounding state laws to see what type of provisions they have regarding this issue.

NEXT MEETING:

July 20, 2004

DATE APPROVED

CHAIRPERSON, UTAH CERTIFIED
SHORTHAND REPORTER BOARD

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